



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Donnelly, et al.

Serial No.: 09/835,694 Case No.: 18972PCA

Art Unit: 1636

Filed: April 16, 2001

Examiner:

McKelvey, Terry A.

For: NUCLEIC ACID VACCINES AGAINST HUMAN
INFLUENZA VIRUS (As amended herein)

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 03 October 2003, please enter the following election and amendments as well as considering the following remarks.

A Petition to Extend Time, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), for one (1) month, as a large entity, is enclosed. If any additional time for responding to this action is required, please treat this paper as a request under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the time further, as required, and charge Deposit Account No. 13-2755 the appropriate fee as a large entity.

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Amendments to the Title – At page 1, under the heading TITLE OF THE INVENTION, please delete the present title and insert the following title:

-- NUCLEIC ACID VACCINES AGAINST HUMAN INFLUENZA VIRUS --.

Amendments to the Specification - None

Amendment to the Claims:

Please cancel claim 4-6 and 18-25, without prejudice.

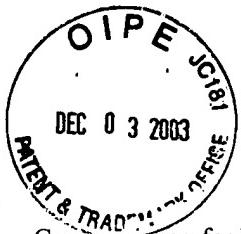
Please amend claims 1, 3 9 and 11 as shown in the *Listing of the Claims*.

These claim amendments are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings – None

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

Response to Restriction Under 35 U.S.C. §121 begins on page 6 of this paper.



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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Independent Claims	* 3	-	*** 11 =	0 X	\$86	= 0.00
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Respectfully,


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